**Amendments to the Specification**

1)      Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--At the present time, ~~these is therefore~~ there are no simple and economical systems for the effective management of a welding shop in which several torches are employed simultaneously by different operators, that is to say one for making the link between a measured parameter and the management elements of the shop, namely the duty factor and/or the deposition rate.--


2)      Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, within the Abstract with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- A method ~~of~~ and system for managing or controlling an electric arc welding shop in which several welding torches (10) are employed each fed with at least one consumable wire (11), each consumable wire (11) moving with a wire speed (V) and being subjected to an electrical current of intensity (I), in which, for each torch (10), at least one wire speed value (V) representative of the average speed at which each wire (11) feeds each torch (10) over a given period (T) is determined by means of a speed sensor or at least one intensity value (I) of the current representative of the average current to which each wire (11) is subjected over the given period (T) is determined by means of a current sensor, and at least one productivity parameter chosen from the duty factor (DF) and the deposition rate (DR) for each torch (10) of the shop and/or optionally the average value of these parameters, for all the torches of the shop, is determined from at least each speed valve (V) of the wire (11) or each intensity value (I) of the electrical current obtained in step (a). ~~System for implementing the method.~~

Single ~~figure~~ Figure. --

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